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In re PCT International Application of: )  
CRUZ, Antonio Maria Guimaraes Leite )  
U.S. Serial No.: 10/557,523 )  
Int. Appl No.: PCT/EP2004/050912 )  
Int. Filing Date: 25 May 2004 )  
PERCUSSIVE DRILL BIT, DRILLING ) Art Unit: 3672  
SYSTEM COMPRISING SUCH A DRILL BIT )  
AND METHOD OF DRILLING A BORE HOLE )  
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Applicant(s) hereby requests a corrected filing receipt be issued for 10/557,523 filed November 18, 2005 following corrections:

Under Applicant(s): amend name to read: Antonio Maria Guimaraes Leite Cruz

We have enclosed a copy of the amended filing receipt with the correction as noted together with the declaration and power of attorney which was submitted at time of filing the US national phase application.

We await receipt of another filing receipt incorporating the requested correction. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP04/50912 05/25/2004

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SHELL OIL CO.  
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**Title**

Percussive drill bit, drilling system comprising such a drill bit and method of drilling a bore hole

Preliminary Class

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[X] was filed on 25 May 2004 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number PCT/EP2004/050912 and was amended on (if applicable):

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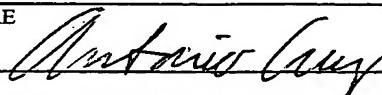
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